

FALCON FAMILY NEWS

JULY 2007

CLASS STATISTICS (as of 31 Jul 07)

	Men	Women	Cum	Int'l	US
2008	847	187	1034	13	1021
2009	917	186	1103	7	1096
2010	914	216	1130	19	1111
2011	976	249	1225	14	1211
WING	3654	838	4492	54	4439

BCT a/o 31 Jul 07

Men	Women
976	249

NNEW E-MAIL ADDRESSES

The Academy is in the midst of the migration from the dot-MIL to the dot-EDU domain for all cadets, plus the staff in AD (Athletic Dept), CW (Cadet Wing), DF (Dean of the Faculty), PL (Prep School), and RR (Admissions). Once migrated, a cadet can have email sent to either Cxxfirst.last@usafa.edu or Cxxfirst.last@usafa.af.mil. They will continue to have an account at usafa.af.mil which will be forwarded to the usafa.edu account, so they should not lose messages. Cadets who are currently away from USAFA will be migrated to the dot-EDU domain when they return in Jul or Aug.

CADET SUPPORT SERVICES

The entire staff of the Cadet Support Services – Mitchell Hall, Cadet Barber and Beauty Shop, Cadet Laundromat, Treats and HAPS are all dedicated individuals who strive to provide a little something extra to the lives of your cadets during their time at the Air Force Academy. Please see information on each agency below.

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MITCHELL HALL

Mitchell Hall – Cadet Dining Facility – Assistant Director Veronica Vela – 719-333-4992
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Mitchell Hall is the largest dining facility in the Air Force and provides service for the entire Cadet Wing of 4,300+ cadets. Our primary mission is to provide 3 meals a day, 7 days a week for the cadets; we also support all training missions and requirements; and special social, training and sporting events along with numerous other requirements.

Meals at Mitchell Hall are planned by our nutritionist and follow standards of the Dietary Guidelines for Americans and the Military Dietary Recommended Intake Levels. We provide menus and portions to accommodate the requirements of the majority of the Cadet Wing. Additionally, we provide special meals for athletes who require heavy or light options, and vegetarian options that also accommodate the requirements of our cadets with ethnic or religious requirements.

Mitchell Hall produces over 13,000 meals a day on average and in doing so we, understandably, have challenges of trying to meet the taste and desires of all the cadets. We try our best to meet the needs of the majority and offer a good variety of foods. We also have the challenge of having food ready for all 4500 cadets to consume all at one time in 20 minutes, twice a day.

Mitchell Hall has made great strides to improve quality of food, adding new items and offering a variety that follows some of the current trends in the food industry. Last year, we started a cadet focus group which will continue this year. The focus group was a valuable asset to the Mitchell Hall operation and assisted us in making decisions that changed more than 100 items, added 20 new menu rotations and, overall, provided feedback from the cadets on how we were doing.

Mitchell Hall conducts a monthly food test in which more than 200 cadets participate. The food test allows the cadets to provide direct feedback concerning food items we are considering for the menu.

We would like to invite you to meet our nutritionist and members of the management team at the Information Fair during Parents' Weekend (Friday, 31 Aug). We will provide information on how we plan menus, the nutritional values we look at, and the calorie requirements for the cadets, and will be glad to answer any question you might have.

You will also have the opportunity to dine with us at Mitchell Hall during Parents' Weekend. The 1st Class breakfast and 4th Class lunch tickets will be available for cadets to purchase from 13-23 August in their Cadet Squadrons. Tickets must be purchased in advance.

The entire Mitchell Hall staff looks forward to meeting you and hosting you to a meal during Parents' Weekend.

BARBER AND BEAUTY SHOP

Barber and Beauty Shop – Manager Connie Graff – 719-333-4563
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The Cadet Barber and Beauty Shop provides not only the required haircuts for your cadet, but a wide variety of services as well. You can purchase the service for your cadet in advance as a little something from home. Our barbers and beauticians take care of your cadets as if they were their own, and try to give them a feeling of family. The barber shop hosts several karaoke contests throughout the year, have a “guess the Basic picture” contest and more.

The Cadet Barber and Beauty Shop staff will be at the Information Fair during Parents’ Weekend also. They will have information on all the services from facials to manicures to massages, and how to purchase these for your cadet. They will also have pictures of the karaoke contest and the other events they do for the cadets. Stop by and take a look.

LAUNDROMAT

Laundromat – Manager Julika Smith – 719-333-2615
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The Cadet Laundromat is not only a place for the cadets to do their laundry, but it’s also a place to hang out,, relax, and get away from everything for awhile. The laundromat also provides a laundry service that you can purchase. The Clean Coupons can be for your cadet if they don’t have the time to do their own or you just want to give them some extra free time.

Information on the Clean Coupon can be found in your Survival Guide or picked up at the Information Fair during Parents’ Weekend.

TREATS

Treats – Acting Manger Connie Graff – 719-333-4563
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Since we realize that your famous carrot cake may not make it through the mail to your cadet, you can order one from us. Treats has a wide variety of baskets, cakes and cookies that you can purchase for a one time delivery or set it up to have delivered monthly throughout the school year. Let your cadets know you are thinking about them. You can find information and an order from on our Services website www.usafaservices.com.

CHANEY KING BIKE RIDE SPONSORED BY THE FALCON FOUNDATION

The Falcon Foundation offers one-year Preparatory School scholarships to deserving young men and women who have outstanding potential for an Air Force Academy education and an Air Force career as pilots. These scholarships provide additional academic preparation prior to entering the United States Air Force Academy. These Falcon Foundation scholarship recipients, known as Falcon Scholars, attend 1 of 5 selected preparatory schools for one year. The Falcon Foundation scholarships help lower the cost of the prep school education to the Falcon Scholar families.

Chaney King was an exceptional Falcon Scholar and USAFA cadet who dearly loved the Academy, the Air Force, her country and her family. Chaney was killed in January 2003 in a tragic car accident when she was in the middle of her sophomore year. She attended Northwestern Preparatory School as a Falcon Scholar before coming to the Academy. Chaney was a member of 13th and 14th Cadet Squadrons while she was at USAFA.

After Chaney's untimely death, her mother and father approached the Falcon Foundation and asked if they would support a Falcon Foundation fund-raising event in honor of Chaney's participation in the Falcon Foundation Scholarship program. The Falcon Foundation readily agreed and the senior staff at the Academy approved the first "Chaney King Bike Ride/Run" as a sponsored program by the Falcon Foundation. It was held at the United States Air Force Academy on September 18, 2004. Cadets from Chaney's former Cadet Squadrons served as volunteers for this milestone event. Pledges for this event went to increase the Falcon Foundation's scholarship fund.

This year, the Academy senior staff approved the Falcon Foundation's request for the **Fourth Annual Chaney King Bike Ride/Run** at USAFA for Saturday, 22 Sep 07.

For more information regarding this event, please visit the Falcon Foundation website: www.falconfoundation.org

CADET WING MEDIA – GRADUATION 2007

Six weeks after graduation, the proofs were mailed to each cadet's home of record. Graduation DVDs are expected to be shipped by early August and yearbooks are shipped in November. The 2007 yearbooks and graduation DVDs are still available for purchase. Also, candid photos of graduation 2007 are available at www.printroom.com/pro/AFphotos